

AMENDMENT TO DIVISION B OF RULES
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At the end of division B (before the short title), insert the following:

1 PROHIBITING USE OF FUNDS FOR OFFICIAL TRAVEL EX-
2 PENSES OF MEMBERS OF CONGRESS AND LEGISLA-
3 TIVE BRANCH EMPLOYEES FOR AIRLINE ACCOM-
4 MODATIONS OTHER THAN COACH-CLASS

5 SEC. _____. (a) PROHIBITION.—Except as provided in
6 subsection (b), no funds appropriated or otherwise made
7 available by this Act for the official travel expenses of a
8 Member of Congress or other officer or employee of any
9 office in the legislative branch may be used for airline ac-
10 commodations which are not coach-class accommodations.

11 (b) EXCEPTIONS.—Funds described in subsection (a)
12 may be used for airline accommodations which are not
13 coach-class accommodations for an individual described in
14 subsection (a) if the use of the funds for such accommoda-
15 tions would be permitted under sections 301–10.121
16 through 301–10.125 of title 41 of the Code of Federal
17 Regulations if the individual were an employee of an agen-
18 cy which is subject to chapter 301 of such title.

1 (c) RULE OF CONSTRUCTION.—Nothing in this sec-
2 tion may be construed to affect any officer or employee
3 of an office of the legislative branch which, as of the date
4 of the enactment of this Act, is subject to chapter 301
5 of title 41 of the Code of Federal Regulations.

6 (d) DEFINITIONS.—

7 (1) COACH-CLASS ACCOMMODATIONS.—In this
8 section, the term “coach-class accommodations”
9 means the basic class of accommodation by airlines
10 that is normally the lowest fare offered regardless of
11 airline terminology used, and (as referred to by air-
12 lines) may include tourist class or economy class, as
13 well as single class when the airline offers only one
14 class of accommodations to all travelers.

15 (2) MEMBER OF CONGRESS.—In this section,
16 the term “Member of Congress” means a Senator or
17 a Representative in, or Delegate or Resident Com-
18 missioner to, the Congress.

